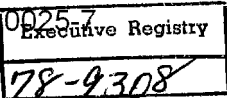


The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505



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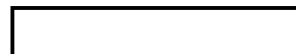
MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
FROM: Deputy to the DCI for Resource Management
SUBJECT: Department of Justice Appeal to the HPSCI
Reduction of FBI-CI FY 1979 Budget

1. Action Requested: Signature on the attached letter to the Attorney General expressing your concern with their independent, un-coordinated appeal to the subject reductions.

2. Background: The Attorney General has forwarded an appeal to both the House and Senate Select Committees on Intelligence (copies attached) on the HPSCI reductions of \$2 million and 77 positions to the FBI's Foreign Counterintelligence Program (FCI). The appeal was not forwarded through your office, nor was it coordinated with your staff. This action could set a highly undesirable precedent for the other NFIP Program Managers. In addition, the appeal lacks the substance to ensure favorable action by the Committees. While we support the appeal action, I believe it is highly important that you forward, for the entire Community, a single, coordinated appeal to the HPSCI report on the NFIP FY 1979 consolidated budget. I believe we have made these points in a reasonably tactful way to Attorney General Bell in the letter.

3. Recommendation: Sign the attached letter to the Attorney General.

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Attachment:
Letter to A.G.

DOJ Review Completed.

FBI review(s) completed.

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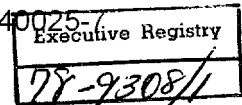
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The Honorable Griffin B. Bell
The Attorney General
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Griffin:

I am in full agreement with your request to restore the \$2 million and 77 positions cut from the FBI's FY 1979 Foreign Counterintelligence Program (FBI-FCI) by the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. However, I am somewhat concerned about the timing of your appeal to the two oversight Committees.

Although I believe we have adequate support within the Congress to obtain favorable action on the FBI-FCI appeal, the request needs to be structured in terms of other NFIP activities and resources, particularly those associated with foreign counterintelligence. My proposed appeal for the total NFIP, including FBI-FCI reductions, has been sent to Mr. Cregar, FBI, and the other NFIP Program Managers for coordination and comment prior to forwarding a final coordinated NFIP appeal to Congress. Once that coordinated package is received by Congress, a letter from you requesting favorable action on it and supporting, in particular, the FBI-FCI appeal would be most welcome.

Yours,
/s/ Stansfield Turner

STANSFIELD TURNER

SUBJECT: Letter to Attorney General Bell from DCI (DCI/IC 78-3864)
(As attachment to DCI/IC 78-3864/1)

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